IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 5 line 15 and ending on page 6 line 13 with the following amended paragraph.

A representative computer 400 schematically in Fig. 4 may be placed in the base part 11 and each of the portable parts 12, 14, 16 where each computer allows the base part 11 and portable parts 12, 14, 16 to process the frames and commands in the frames. Computer 400 includes a central processing unit (CPU) 402, which may be a single chip or part of a single chip and which may be coupled bidirectionally with random access memory (RAM) 404 and unidirectionally with read only memory (ROM) 406. Typically, RAM 404 is used as a "scratch pad" memory and includes programming instructions and data, including distributed objects and their associated code and state, for processes currently operating on CPU 402. ROM 406 typically includes basic operating instructions, data and objects used by the computer to perform its functions. In addition, a mass storage device 408, such as a hard disk, CD ROM, magneto-optical (floptical) drive, tape drive or the like, may be coupled bidirectionally with CPU 402. Mass storage device 408 generally may include additional programming instructions, data and objects that typically are not in active use by the CPU, although the address space may be accessed by the CPU, *e.g.*, for virtual memory or the like. To provide compactness to the base part and portable parts, mass storage may be omitted. Each of the above described computers optionally may include an input/output source **410** ~~610~~ that typically includes input media such as a keyboard, pointer devices (*e.g.*, a mouse or stylus) and/or network connections which may form other parts of the base part or portable parts. The CPU and associated commands may be used to provide the inventive base and portable part functions described above.

Please replace the Abstract on page 11 with the following revised abstract.

ABSTRACT

<u>Providing an audio broadcast for a TDMA system. During a single time slot, an audio message is broadcast from a base part and received at a number of portable parts. An audio broadcast command is generated by designating the single time slot and then transmitted to the plurality of portable parts. An additional portable part transmits a broadcast origination signal and the audio message to the base part which transmits the audio broadcast command to the portable parts. By assigning a time slot other than the</u>

designated time slot to a portable part, the portable part does not broadcast audio messages during the designated time slot. More than three receiving time slots and more than three sending time slots are divided out for the base part that includes the designated time slot. The audio broadcast command is transmitted during at least two of the more than three sending time slots.